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SUBJ: SENATOR WILLESEE SWORN IN AS AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER; AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PAPUA NEW GUINEA NAMED

1. SENATOR DONALD R. WILLESEE, CURRENTLY SPECIAL MINISTER OF STATE, WAS SWORN IN ON NOV 6 AS MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REPLACING PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM IN THAT ROLE. WHITLAM WILL REPRESENT SENATOR WILLESEE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. WILLESEE WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE FUNCTION OF SPECIAL MINISTER OF STATE, ADMINISTERING SERIES OF FUNCTIONS THAT DO NOT FIT COMFORTABLY ELSEWHERE (COMMONWEALTH ARCHIVES, COMMONWEALTH GAZETTE, COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES COMMISSION AND AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL, NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA).

2. DEPARTMENTS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ANNOUNCED NOV 6 THAT MR. L.W. JOHNSON, ADMINISTRATOR OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA SINCE 1970, WILL
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WILL BECOME SELF-GOVERNING.

3. COMMENT: FACT THAT WHITLAM WILL REPRESENT SENATOR WILLESEE IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO INDULGE HIS DEEP INTEREST IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WHILE AVOIDING SOME OF THE TIME CONSUMING VISITS AND CEREMONIALS FOR WHICH HE HAS BEEN CRITICIZED WITHIN THE AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY, NOTABLY BY ITS PRESIDENT, R.J. HAWKE. EMBASSY APPRAISAL OF WILLESEE AND ESTIMATE OF HOW HE IS LIKELY TO PERFORM AS FOREIGN MINISTER FOLLOWS.
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